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STATE LEADERSHIP CONVENTION IVATA DINNER MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. in the atrium of the Evergreen Building at the College of Southern Idaho by IVATA President Lee Hollingsworth.

Welcoming remarks were presented by Stacia Berry, National FFA Secretary from Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Dr. Richard Ledington welcomed the agriculture instructors on behalf of the state division of professional-technical education.

- ❖ Extended an invitation to summer conference 2004
- ❖ Maintaining date at the end of June for the foreseeable future
- ❖ Floriculture curriculum "CART" library – catalog of lesson plans and will be linked to the Idaho Academic Achievement standards
- ❖ FFA LifeKnowledge curriculum will be available as well
- ❖ Certification issues
 - Praxis test to get your endorsements
 - Until September, take Praxis but do not need to meet minimum score
- ❖ Legislature provided additional funds for PTE programs for the year
- ❖ Perkins is becoming an issue again.
- ❖ Greetings from Dr. Rush
- ❖ State Leadership Conference, April 14-16, 2005.

Courtne Massar from the Chevy Truck Scholarship Program from Ericson USA.

- ❖ Fundraising program, Endorsed by national FFA, Will be talking at Summer Conference 2004
- ❖ 80 % to chapter – 40 % for general operations and 40% for scholarships
- ❖ 15% to state, 5% to nationals
- ❖ Sell tickets in the fall, August – October, drawing for a truck

Lou Riesenberg from the University of Idaho College of Agriculture and Life Science Department of Agricultural and Extension Education introduced the faculty of the department: Dr. Lori Moore, Dr. John Mundt, Jodie Mink, Dr. Rick Parker, and Amanda VanDerMeer.

Dr. John Mundt introduced the student teachers and cooperating teachers for this year.

- ❖ Jason Bair with Sam Condie and Lex Godfrey at Burley
- ❖ Kolten Kock with Allison Touchstone, Joe Blackstock, Shawn Dygert at Kuna
- ❖ Joey Pickard with Sue Poland at Cambridge
- ❖ Lizzie Papineau with Richard Dozier at Payette
- ❖ Jessie Miller with Jim Summers at Westside
- ❖ Tyson Sorenson with Larin Crossley at Preston

Dr. Lori Moore introduced the Collegiate FFA members who were attending the conference and assisting with the State Conference.

- ❖ Ricki Wilson
- ❖ Jason Sherman
- ❖ Brandon Hocksie
- ❖ Pat Dickson
- ❖ Melissa Coles (CSI)

Dr. Moore also congratulated the Kindschy-Lawrence Scholarship winners

- ❖ Josh Sanders from Kuna School District
- ❖ Ben Robertson
- ❖ Marquita Williams

Dr. Moore also asked for people interested in being a cooperating teacher next year to contact the department as we have 11 to 13 student teachers next year.

Dr. Jerry Beck, Vice President for instruction at the College of Southern Idaho introduced the faculty and staff

- ❖ Jim Wilson
- ❖ Dave Keisig, Horticulture
- ❖ Dr. Rick Parker will be retiring this year.
- ❖ Ron Shopbell will be taking over the position of Director of the Division of Agriculture at CSI.

Agriculture teachers introduced their spouses in attendance.

Sam Condie offered the invocation and gave dinner instructions.

DINNER IS SERVED.

The membership agreed to invite Let's Go Dutch back for the 2005 year by unanimous consent.

Rangeland CDE Changes.....Shawn Dygert

- ❖ Karen Launchbaugh and Gretchen Hyde mainly responsible
- ❖ 20 teams at this year's event
- ❖ ***Shawn Dygert moved to change the range CDE to be held in October in conjunction with state soils. Seconded by Kevin Barker.***
 - Better sites
 - Better plants
 - Longer time to prepare
 - Idaho Rangeland Resource Commission will continue to sponsor the CDE
 - Can still be held in Burley
 - Recommend a practice site the day before
- ❖ ***Motion passed - 36 for – 2 opposed.***

National Officer Sifting Allison Touchstone

- ❖ ***Allison Touchstone moved to change national officer selection process to the mid winter meeting. Seconded by***
 - Earlier selection
 - Longer training
 - National Officer Candidate would be better available for activities throughout the year.
 - Make sure there is some Ag teacher involvement on the committee
 - Decide when to request the American Farmer Degree Apps if moved
- ❖ ***Motions Failed - 2 for – 14 opposed***

July In-Service Rick Parker CSI

- ❖ July 12-16, 2004
- ❖ Follow-up on TI-83 calculators from October days
- ❖ One day on GPS

October In-Service Days.....Rick and Lou

- ❖ Floriculture
- ❖ Intro to Food Science

June CDE's Lou Riesenberg

- ❖ Agronomy – problem solving is fertilizer selection. Follow the rules in the problem solving area. Calculations used from curriculum guide.
- ❖ Housing is all between schools and Residences – AEE not involved
- ❖ Event fee - \$7.50 for all attendees – to Marilyn in AEEB
- ❖ Mailing should arrive next week and will be posted on the web.

Western Idaho Fair..... John Mundt

- ❖ Any students who have shown in WIF are eligible for a new fair scholarship.
- ❖ See John for application.
- ❖ 2 - \$750 scholarships may be moving to 4 for next year.

Summer Conference..... Lee Hollingsworth

- ❖ Tentative agenda available if people want
- ❖ Perhaps make hotel reservations in Meridian area

NAAE Award Nominations..... Lee Hollingsworth

- ❖ NAAE Life member – Kent Scott
- ❖ NAAE Service Award – Rick Parker
- ❖ NAAE Outstanding Cooperation – Jim Wilhite – Wells Fargo Bank
- ❖ Get all other NAAE applications in to Lee ASAP

Honorary American Lee Hollingsworth

- ❖ Add Glen Edwards of Kuna as a state recipient

NAAE Region I – Hawaii..... Lee Hollingsworth

- ❖ April 21-24, 2004
- ❖ Honolulu, HI

NAAE Region I in Idaho in 2006Tom Clifton

- ❖ 2005 in Arizona
- ❖ 2006 Region I committee chosen at Mid-Winter Planning
- ❖ If interested, tell an officer and we can add you to the committee for planning

IVATA Letter.....Tom Clifton

- ❖ Draft a letter to the Twin Falls School Board in support of agricultural education at the high school level
- ❖ ***Allison will send a copy of the letter to all schools for their files in case it may be needed.***

CTEI..... Robert Hale

- ❖ \$500 grant toward floriculture at the summer conference
- ❖ ACTE involvement and commitment to get them out of the hole in their funding.

By-Laws Amendment Allison Touchstone

- ❖ Limit committee voting to one vote per district on each committee
- ❖ Vote on this at summer conference

Treasurer's Report Alan Heikkila

❖ Membership

- 70 active members – 9 life IVATA
- NAAE – 34 life members, 49 active
- CTEI – 59 members
- ACTE – 11 members

❖ CD investment options

- Renews on Sunday at 1.2 % through US Bank
- State Investment Pool – available immediately with no penalty, better interest rate
- Will also consider moving checking account to Wells Fargo

❖ Dues package – non-paid members

- Until June 30 to pay for 2003-2004
- Life membership IVATA - \$300

❖ Life Memberships presented

Idaho FFA Foundation Rick Waitley